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# NORTHEAST ENERGY DIRECT NEWSLETTER

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*The Northeast Energy Direct Project (NED) is designed to supply natural gas—a critical energy resource—to help alleviate the high costs of electricity and natural gas in New England caused by limited natural gas transportation capacity in the region. NED will be an extension of Kinder Morgan's Tennessee Gas Pipeline (TGP) which has safely delivered natural gas to New England for more than 60 years.*

### STAKEHOLDERS AND FERC COMMENT PROCESS

Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company, L.L.C. filed its formal certificate application for the Northeast Energy Direct (NED) Project with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) on November 20, 2015. Prior to filing the formal certificate application, the NED Project was reviewed as part of the FERC's National Energy Policy Act (NEPA) pre-filing process. Through the process, TGP and the FERC have had the opportunity to identify and resolve issues prior to TGP's filing the formal certificate application for approval to construct the project. TGP filed its certificate application for the project on November 20, 2015.

As part of the pre-filing and certificate application processes, TGP is and will continue to consult with regulatory agencies, including state agencies, and will respond to questions and concerns from stakeholders, including municipalities and residents impacted by the proposed project.

The original scoping period for the project ended on August 30, 2015, but was extended by the FERC through October 16, 2015. Now that the formal certificate application is filed, the FERC will issue a formal notice of the application. Stakeholders will continue to have the opportunity to file comments on the certificate application, including the final environmental report that will be included with the certificate application, during the certificate review process. The ability to file comments with the FERC does not end at the end of the pre-filing period.

*Comments can be made to FERC using the NED Project's Docket No. CP16-21-00 on the FERC website, <https://ferconline.ferc.gov>.*

### HOW WILL THE PIPELINE AFFECT THE WATER SUPPLY THAT I USE FOR MY FAMILY AND MY HOME?

As a part of the FERC certificate application process, TGP is working with individual landowners and local municipalities to identify all known public and private drinking water wells, springs and Wellhead Protection Areas located in the vicinity of the proposed project route. TGP will use various Best Management Practices (BMPs) outlined in the state-specific Environmental Construction Plans that must be pre-approved by the FERC, to allow for construction and operation of the project without adversely affecting drinking or household water resources.



Although TGP does not expect to negatively affect these water resources, TGP will provide pre- and post-construction well quality and yield testing of all wells within 200 feet of the project workspace. The testing will be available to well owners at no cost and will be conducted by a qualified independent inspection service. The results of the pre- and post-construction tests will be provided to landowners. In addition, during any construction blasting, seismographs and other monitoring equipment will be placed at various intervals around the site to ensure that vibration limits are not exceeded. In the unlikely event that construction of the project temporarily impacts private or public well quality or yield, TGP will provide alternative water sources or other compensation to the well owners. In the event that permanent impacts occur to a well as a result of project-related construction activities, TGP will repair or replace the well.

*(Left) An existing TGP gas line passes under a pond in Stockbridge, MA.*

#### HOW WILL THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE PIPELINE IMPACT RARE AND ENDANGERED PLANT SPECIES AND ANIMALS?

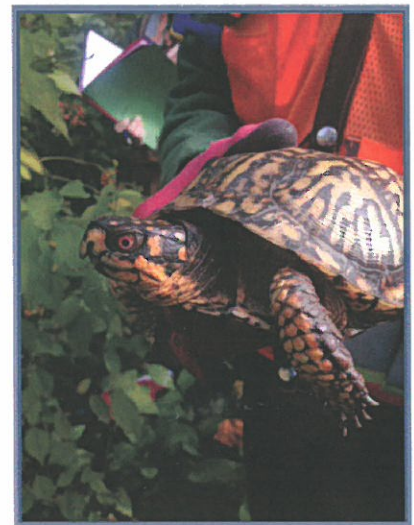
Specific criteria for the care and protection of plant and animal species during construction will be determined in consultation with the state and federal agencies that manage environmental programs for the protection of threatened and endangered species. The regulating agencies will condition construction activities by issuing permits and letters of determination. For example, conditions often issued to natural gas construction projects are seasonal timing of construction, timing windows for crossing streams and other resources, and daily identification and tracking of specific species of birds, salamanders, turtles, or others. TGP will conduct active environmental monitoring and inspection of the construction activities and workspace to maintain compliance with the conditions listed in each permit. The goal of the agency programs, and TGP's compliance goal, is to protect, avoid and minimize the impact of construction on species of concern.

#### WILL THE PIPELINE BE USED FOR EXPORT TO CANADA OR OVERSEAS?

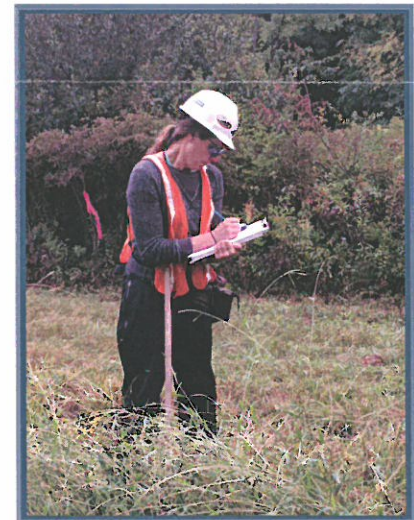
The NED project is being constructed to supply New England and the Northeast with clean, domestic energy. To date, TGP has executed precedent agreements for over 550,000 dekatherms per day (Dth/d) with nine New England local distribution companies (Market Path Component) and for over 751,000 Dth/d with New England LDCs, producers, and a New York end-user (Supply Path Component). Additionally, as part of the pending PowerServe Open Season, TGP is offering all of the remaining non-contracted volume of approximately 740,000 Dth/d on the Market Path component to power generators. TGP has not executed any precedent agreements with potential LNG shippers.

#### FOR MORE INFORMATION

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*(Above) A box turtle is identified and counted during the environmental survey along the proposed NED route in October, 2015.*



*(Above) A surveyor conducts an environmental survey along the proposed NED route in New York in October, 2015*